

LIMIT EMIGRATION

Japanese Government Will Stop Laborers Going to Canada.

METHODS OF LIMITATION

Japan Will Not Sacrifice Treaty Rights—Government Preparing Program of Administration Under Which Promise of Limitation Can be Fulfilled.

TOKIO, Dec. 20.—Negotiations between Canadian Minister of Labor, Rudolphe Lemieux, and the Japanese government, which have been delayed by a hitch over details, will be concluded with the next few days. It is understood that Minister Lemieux has finally agreed to accept Japan's assurance that she will undertake the self-imposed task of limiting emigration to Canada. The exact method of limitation will be left entirely in the hands of the Japanese government.

It is stated that the hitch arose over the desire of the Canadian government to secure a definite promise in writing outlining the undertakings. This was positively declined by Japan because it would entail a sacrifice of treaty rights. Minister Lemieux also desired to secure from the Japanese government a note giving the exact number of laborers that the government proposed to allow to emigrate to Canada. This was also refused.

There is reason to believe therefore, that the situation is exactly as has previously been stated by the Associated Press. Canada will receive a verbal assurance identical with that given the United States, the Japanese government declining to surrender any right contained in its treaty of alliance with Great Britain whereby Canada became a party.

The Japanese government is engaged in preparing a program of administration under which the promise of limitation can be fulfilled. Minister Lemieux will probably leave for Canada this week, going by way of Siberia and through London.

An official announcement of the result

of the negotiations is not expected before the meeting of the diet when Foreign Minister Hayashi will make a statement outlining the government's policy. In this connection it is interesting to note that the government has practically decided to subsidize the Oriental Colonization Company. Former Prime Minister Count Katsura is the principal promoter of the company which has a capital of ten millions, with authority to issue debentures to the amount of one hundred million. The company will advance capital to emigrants to Korea to be repaid yearly.

It is estimated that Korea offers room for three million emigrants. The colonizing company will begin work is soon as a subsidy bill is passed by the diet.

The government expects that this scheme will divert emigration entirely and indeed, it is not improbable that in consequence of this opening up of Korea and other sections the government may decide to entirely stop the emigration of laborers.

WOMEN DELEGATES.

Colorado May be Represented at Convention of Democrats.

DENVER, Dec. 20.—If the movement started by the women voters of Colorado succeeds, two women will be included in the Colorado delegation to the next Democratic convention and one will be Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, the eldest daughter of W. J. Bryan. Mrs. Leavitt has been a resident of Denver for five years, and is president of the Jane Jefferson Club of this city. She is now abroad with her mother, but it is said will return in the spring.

DISCONTINUE VAUDEVILLE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Klaw and Erlanger announced last night that the vaudeville bills at the Auditorium Theatre will be discontinued after January 15. Lack of patronage is given as the reason for the firm's withdrawing from the vaudeville field in Chicago.

KNOCK OUT FOR GAS BILL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The bill passed by the Legislature providing gas shall be sold in New York City for 80 cents a thousand was declared unconstitutional today in the United States circuit court.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—WOMAN TO MAKE CHILDREN'S DRESSES at home; all material furnished. Address "L. O.," Astorian.

Reprehensible Inadvertence—

In publishing the little poem entitled "Astoria" which appeared in these columns yesterday morning, and which was sung at the Chamber of Commerce banquet on Thursday night most acceptably by the only octette in the city, the Astorian forgot to mention the author. It now endeavors to make good by announcing that Rev. W. S. Gilbert is the man; and to repeat that his song took immensely with the crowd that heard it at the Occident.

Storm Arrived—

The storm that was announced as approaching the mouth of the river, reached here last night, or at least a part of it did. All evening the wind was blowing strongly from the southeast and all night showed no signs of abatement. The downpour of rain accompanying the wind was copious and continuous, causing many to seek shelter.

Service at Spikanon—

Divine service will be held at St. Thomas Church, Spikanon, on Saturday (St. Thomas' Day) at 10:30 a. m., Rev. Mr. Warren and Rev. Mr. Short officiating. All members and friends are cordially invited.

Special Meeting of Council—

The city council met in special session last night for the purpose of adopting a resolution declaring the determination and intention to improve Commercial street from Third street to lot 1, block 3, in the Hinman tract. All the members being present except Councilman Belland, the roll was called and the resolution adopted, after which adjournment was taken.

You Don't Need to Send to Portland. C. H. Orkowitz, 137 Tenth street, can cover your umbrellas just as good as they can any place on the northwest coast.

Wood—Wood—

The Tongue Point Lumber Company are now booking orders for short (stove length) wood to be delivered during January and later. Get your orders in now, phone Main 2771. 12-18-tf.

Notice—

An extra force of clerks has been put on by P. A. Stokes in order to facilitate shopping during the holidays.

SPECIAL NOTICE—

Ladies—If you want a strictly tailored garment, go to Mrs. M. E. Hawkes, 519 Duane street. 12-20-6t.

Xmas Specials

Our stock is in exceptionally good shape, having the best assortment ever offered in Astoria.

Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c to \$1.50
Silk Mufflers, 50c to \$2.50
Silk Scarfs, \$1.50
Silk Neckties, 50c to \$1.50
Linen Handkerchiefs, 25c to \$1.00
Cotton Handkerchiefs, 10c & 12½c
Silk Sox, \$1 to \$2
Cotton Sox, 10c to 50c
Imported Sox, 50c per pair

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Leader in Nobby Clothes

Smoking Jackets in many designs.

Fancy Vests, \$1.50 to \$5

Night Robes, 75c to \$3

Pajamas \$2 to \$4

Lounging Robes, swell, \$5

Fancy Shirts, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50.

Jerseys, \$1.50 to \$3.00.

Sweater Jackets, \$2.50 to \$6.00.

Fancy Underwear, \$2.50 to \$10.00.



A Few Holiday Suggestions:

Ladies' Desks, Magazine Racks,
Couches, Morris Chairs, Leather Rockers,
Mission Rockers,
Manogany Bedroom Suites,
Napoleon Beds, Music Cabinets, Rugs,
Parlor and Library Tables, Dining Room Furniture,
Tabourettes, Folding Whist Tables,
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NEW TO-DAY

For Christmas—

A fine display of men's novelties is made at Frank Hart's drug store that will keep a Christmas purchaser guessing. The prices are right and there need be no guessing on that point.

Notice.

Door Mats, 50 cents each; Umbrella Vases, 75 cents each. You need them in this kind of weather. See Hildebrand & Gor.

Toilet Cases—

Toilet cases that are beauties, of different varieties, can be had at Frank Hart's drug store, and at prices that are astonishingly low. There is a large stock to select from.

Reward.

\$50 reward will be paid for the recovery of the body of James Edwards, by A. Seinfeldt. 12-12-6t.

New Grocery Store.

Try our own mixture of coffee—the J. P. B. Fresh fruit and vegetables. Babollet & Co. grocers. Phone Main 1281.

Now at City Hall—

City Attorney Charles Abercrombie has removed from his old quarters at 594 Commercial street, and will, henceforth be found at his office on the second floor of the City Hall. 11-30-tf.

Cut in Glassware—

A fine stock of cut glassware is shown at Frank Hart's drug store and the prices on this class of goods has been cut to ridiculously low figures.

Columbia and Victor graphophones and latest records at 424 Commercial street. A. R. Cyrus. tf.

The Tyler.

The Tyler still keeps up its reputation. Good liquors and polite attention will always win, and in pursuance of this idea Clarence Tyler has made no change in the quality of his goods, and has secured the services of Uncle Gene Lent whose genial personality makes him popular with the Tyler's patrons. Everyone knows where the Tyler is, Sixth and Bond streets.

Oliver typewriters and automatic stenographers at A. R. Cyrus, 424 Commercial street. tf.

The Palace.

The Palace Restaurant is still keeping up its reputation for the excellence of its meals, and service, a reputation that is of the best, and well earned. The doors never close at this popular place and at any hour of the day or night the best the market affords can always be had served in excellent style. No matter how great the rush may be each patron receives due attention and complaints are unheard of.

The Commercial.

The Commercial evidently is not experiencing any hard time, judging by the liberal patronage accorded this well known resort. Good goods, and a well furnished place surely attracts the best class of trade and Otto Sund is kept busy catering to it. Everyone knows the Commercial as a pleasant place to spend a few minutes in, and it has long been recognized as a well known place of meeting for friends. Drop in and see for yourself. Commercial street near 11th.

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